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2. Soviet Troops in the Stettin Port

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Polish Troops in Stettin.

1. In the summer and fall of 1950, young Polish soldiers in active service were seen in the former Kraftfahr Kaserne on the northwest side of Al. Wojska Polskiego, Stettin (O 54/Q 55). They wore brown uniforms and caps with red bands. Young Polish soldiers wearing visor type caps with red bands were also seen in the former barracks installation of the AT artillery battalion, which was also called Cambrai Kaserne.
2. The former military compound on the north side of ul. Klomowicza east of Kreckow had been plundered by the populace after World War II and no longer existed in early 1951.
3. The former Neue Artillerie Kaserne on the north side of ul. Macieja Rataja, east of ul. Derdowskiego, was not used by the Polish Army prior to the fall of 1950. No war damage was seen there. It probably housed students of a Polish university. (1)
4. The former Pionier Kaserne on the east side of ul. Kilinskiego housed German civilians up to the beginning of 1950.   they were ordered to leave their quarters on ul. Gen. Sowinskiego, formerly Koernerstrasse, in early 1950 when the installation was occupied by a Polish Army unit. (2)
5. The former post hospital on the east side of Al. Piastow, between ul. Narutowicza and ul. Gen. Sowinskiego, housed an officer candidate school of the Polish Navy. The officer candidates were billeted in the largest brick building on Al. Piastow. Prior to the fall of 1950, they wore blue naval uniforms consisting of cloth trousers and a sailor's blouse with collar. They also wore a close fitting, dark blue pea jacket. A round sailor's cap with a band and golden inscription was worn with this uniform. Many naval officer candidates were usually seen riding the streetcar to and from the city. It could not be determined whether the installation also quartered KMW personnel. (3)

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6. Prior to late 1950, the new German post hospital on the east side of ul. Modrzewskiego was used as a Polish military hospital and, at the same time, as civilian hospital. No armored units were observed practicing at the large drill ground between Al. Wojska Polskiego and the Kreckow borough, northwest of the hospital. Polish soldiers from the nearby barracks installations received infantry training at the drill ground.
7. Personnel of the Polish Labor Service were seen in the former Grenadier Kaserne prior to March 1951. (4) No soldiers were noticed in the former Pionier Kaserne on the east side of ul. Kilinskiego until the beginning of 1951. The installation seemed to be undamaged. Prior to the spring of 1951, Polish soldiers wearing khaki uniforms were seen in the former Viktoria Kaserne I, also called the Fuesilier Kaserne, which was located on the south side of ul. Gen. Sowinskiego and bounded by Al. Piastow on the west.

Soviet Troops in the Stettin Port.

8. Prior to March 1951, a Soviet labor battalion of 350 to 400 men was located in the administration building of the free port. The soldiers engaged in loading and unloading the ships wore red epaulets. Another Soviet unit of about 100 men, which was referred to as technical battalion, was quartered in the building of the former public health board of the free port. These soldiers received instruction on electromotors and models of cranes and operated the cranes in the port which was under Soviet administration. When talking of their previous military posts, some NCOs of this unit mentioned Berlin, Potsdam (N 53/Z 73), Cottbus (N 52/A 57) and Schneidemuhl (P 54/R 94). (5)

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Comments.

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- (1) According to a report of March 1951, this installation was occupied by a Polish unit, probably an infantry unit, after having been confirmed as housing students as late as in November 1950. [REDACTED]
- (2) The former Pionier Kaserne is located west of the Alte Artillerie Kaserne. Its occupation has not been reported by [REDACTED] 25X1
- (3) According to a report of March 1951, a KBW officers' school was located in the former post hospital, whereas a naval officers school was located in a building northwest of the former post hospital on the west side of Aleja Piastow. [REDACTED] 25X1
- (4) This information confirms a report of late 1950. [REDACTED]. However, 25X1  
Polish tanks were seen in this installation in March 1951. [REDACTED] 25X1
- (5) The report confirms previous information of March 1951 concerning a Soviet technical battalion in the free port. [REDACTED] 25X1

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